

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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<b>Hirst et al.</b>	)	
	)	Art Unit: <b>Unassigned</b>
Serial No. Filed Herewith	)	
	)	Examiner: <b>Unassigned</b>
Filed: <b>October 24, 2001</b>	)	
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For: <b>Cell Production</b>	)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please consider the following amendment and remark prior to the first examination of this Application.

**AMENDMENT**

In the Specification

Please insert the following claim to priority at the beginning of the Specification on page 1: --This application claims the priority benefit of Australian provisional application no. PR0952, filed October 24, 2000.--

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